

House Resolution No. 2858

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives recognize the significance of the institution of marriage as a vital foundation of American society and wholeheartedly believe that a successful union can be achieved only through a loving relationship of mutual honor, respect, and trust; and

Whereas, a period of five wondrous decades has passed since Bill Stubblefield lovingly took the hand of his beautiful bride, Shirley, during a solemn ceremony on April 6, 1954, at the courthouse in Tunica, Mississippi; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Bill and Shirley Stubblefield have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include their children and their spouses, Marla and Billy Joe Heaston of Farber, Karen and Les Shonhart of Centralia, and Gary and Sandy Stubblefield of Farber; six grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; and

Whereas, Bill Stubblefield has compiled an impressive record of achievement that includes being a veteran of the United States Army, working six years as a manager at Oliver Concrete Company, and retiring after a successful thirty-four-year career at North American Refractories; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and exemplary homemaker, Shirley Stubblefield has further distinguished herself by working part-time at Callents and Trowers for eight years, serving as a representative for Watkins Products, Incorporated, for twenty-one years, and playing the piano at Farber Presbyterian Church for more than forty years; and

Whereas, during their half century together, Bill and Shirley Stubblefield have cherished each other every day in sickness and in health with the love so deep in their hearts; and

Whereas, Mr. and Mrs. Stubblefield, residents of Farber, commemorated the resplendent occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on April 18, 2004, at the Farber Community Building:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Bill and Shirley Stubblefield and in wishing them only the best as they continue their journey walking hand-in-hand along life's path; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stubblefield.

Offered by _____
Representative Terry L. Witte
District No. 10

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2858, adopted May 7, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker